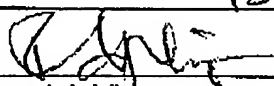


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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on 09/19/2006, please amend the application as follows and consider the remarks set forth below.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 3 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 4 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 6 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.